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BRIEFING ON IMPROVED HAWK SYSTEM TO BRAZIL

1. DEPARTMENT PREPARED TO APPROVE APPLICATION OF RAYTHEON CORPORATION TO PRESENT CLASSIFIED TECHNICAL/SALES BRIEFING ON IMPROVED HAWK SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILE SYSTEM TO GOVERNMENT OF BRAZIL WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT: (A) EVENTUAL SALE WOULD BE ON COMMERCIAL BASIS; (B) NO FMS CREDIT WOULD BE INVOLVED; AND (C) APPROVAL OF BRIEFING DID NOT PREJUDICE FINAL USG DECISION ON EVENTUAL SALE. THESE CONDITIONS WERE EXPLAINED TO RAYTHEON REPRESENTATIVES ON JUNE 28. FINAL DECISION ON RELEASE OF HAWK INFORMATION TO BRAZIL AWAITING APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL MILITARY INFORMATION DISCLOSURE POLICY COMMITTEE (NDPC) AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE NATIONAL CONFIDENTIAL

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DISCLOSURE POLICY.

- 2. LEGALLY, A PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION WAIVING SECTION 4 OF FOREIGN MILITARY SALES ACT IS REQUIRED ONLY IN EVENT FMS CREDIT INVOLVED, AND NOT FOR CASH AND/OR COMMERCIAL SALES. HOWEVER, IN GENERAL WE APPLY SAME CRITERIA TO ALL CATEGORIES OF ARMS EXPORTS- WE ARE THEREFORE RESERVING OUR FINAL POSITION TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ALL CIRCUMSTANCES IF AND WHEN BRAZILIANS DO DECIDE TO BUY HAWK SYSTEM.
- 3. DEPARTMENT'S APPROACH IS CONSISTENT WITH OUR POLICY OF NOT TRYING TO INTERPOSE OUR JUDGMENT FOR THAT OF HOST COUNTRY WITH REGARD TO ITS MILITARY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS WHILE AT SAME TIME REFRAINING FROM USING FMS TO FACILITATE INTRODUCTION OF HIGHLY SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS SYSTEMS INTO THE LATIN AMERICAN REGION. RUSH

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